REMARKS

In view of the above amendments and the following remarks, reconsideration of the outstanding office action is respectfully requested.

New claims 49-52 have been added. Support for the new claims can be found throughout the specification. For example, the present application teaches: that the polymer applying apparatus is moving or stationary (page 6, lines 32-34); that the polymer applying apparatus has at least two polymer dispensing outlets (page 6, lines 26-28) in chambers with a front wall and a back wall and a separating wall between the front wall and the back wall defining the volumes of the chambers (page 6, lines 29-31); where the back wall is held above the coating surface so as to form a back wall gap (page 7, lines 3-6); that the process may rely on gravity driven flow or that the chambers can be pressurized or solutions can be pumped (page 7, lines 9-13); and that the thickness of each layer can also be controlled by gap distance, solution viscosity, web speed, and flow (page 7, lines 2-3 and page 9, lines 2-3). Accordingly, no new matter has been added and entry of the new claims is respectfully requested.

The objection to claims 22-25, 30-35, and 42-44 is respectfully traversed in view of the above amendments.

In view of all the foregoing, it is submitted that this case is in condition for allowance and such allowance is earnestly solicited.

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